November 21, 2007

TO: ALL COUNTY CLERKS/REGISTRARS OF VOTERS/PROPONENT

(07232)

FROM:

KATHERINE MONTGOMERY

Elections Analyst

SUBJECT: INITIATIVE #1295

Pursuant to Elections Code section 336, we transmit herewith a copy of the Title and Summary prepared by the Attorney General on a proposed initiative measure entitled:

PROHIBITION ON REQUIRED OR COERCED STERILIZATION OF ANIMALS OR HUMANS.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

The proponent of the above-named measure is:

Dianne-Margaret Hedgcock P.O. Box 8413 Redlands, CA 92375

#1295

PROHIBITION ON REQUIRED OR COERCED STERILIZATION OF ANIMALS OR HUMANS. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

CIRCULATING AND FILING SCHEDULE

1.		nimum number of signatures required:694,354 Alifornia Constitution, Article II, Section 8(b)
2.	Official Summary Date:	
3.	Petitions Sections:	
	a.	First day Proponent can circulate Sections for signatures (Elec. Code § 336)
	b.	Last day Proponent can circulate and file with the county. All sections are to be filed at the same time within each county. (Elec. Codes §§ 336, 9030(a))
	C.	Last day for county to determine total number of signatures affixed to petitions and to transmit total to the Secretary of State (Elec. Code § 9030(b))Thursday, 05/01/08
		(If the Proponent files the petition with the county on a date prior to 04/21/08, the county has eight working days from the filing of the petition to determine the total number of signatures affixed to the petition and to transmit the total to the Secretary of State) (Elec. Code § 9030(b)).
	d.	Secretary of State determines whether the total number of signatures filed with all county clerks/registrars of voters meets the minimum number of required signatures and notifies the counties
	e.	Last day for county to determine total number of qualified voters who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State (Elec. Code § 9030(d)(e))

^{*} Date adjusted for official deadline, which falls on a weekend (Elec. Code § 15).

^{**}Date varies based on the date of county receipt.

(If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who signed the petition on a date other than 05/10/08, the last day is no later than the thirtieth working day after the county's receipt of notification). (Elec. Code § 9030(d)(e)).

(If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who have signed the petition on a date other than 07/03/08, the last day is no later than the thirtieth working day after the county's receipt of notification.) (Elec. Code § 9031(b)(c).)

h. Secretary of State certifies whether the petition has been signed by the number of qualified voters required to declare the petition sufficient (Elec. Code §§ 9031(d), 9033) Tuesday, 08/19/08*

^{*}Date varies based on the date of county receipt.

IMPORTANT POINTS

- California law prohibits the use of signatures, names and addresses gathered on initiative petitions for any purpose other than to qualify the initiative measure for the ballot. This means that the petitions cannot be used to create or add to mailing lists or similar lists for any purpose, including fundraising or requests for support. Any such misuses constitutes a crime under California law. Elections Code section 18650; Bilofsky v. Deukmejian (1981) 124 Cal.App.3d 825, 177 Cal.Rptr. 621; 63 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 37 (1980).
- Please refer to Elections Code sections 100, 101, 104, 9001, 9008, 9009, 9021, and 9022 for appropriate format and type consideration in printing, typing and otherwise preparing your initiative petition for circulation and signatures. Please send a copy of the petition after you have it printed. This copy is not for our review or approval, but to supplement our file.
- Your attention is directed to the campaign disclosure requirements of the Political Reform Act of 1974, Government Code section 81000 et seq.
- When writing or calling state or county elections officials, provide the
 official title of the initiative which was prepared by the Attorney General.
 Use of this title will assist elections officials in referencing the proper file.
- When a petition is presented to the county elections official for filing by someone other than the proponent, the required authorization shall include the name or names of the persons filing the petition.
- When filing the petition with the county elections official, please provide a blank petition for elections official use.

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In the office of the Secretary of State of the State of California

Debra Bowen Secretary of State 1500 - 11th Street, 5th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

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Debra Bowen Secretary

RE:

Title and Summary for Initiative No. 07-0063

TITLE:

PROHIBITION ON REQUIRED OR COERCED STERILIZATION OF

ANIMALS OR HUMANS. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Dear Ms. Bowen:

Pursuant to the provisions in sections 336 and 9004 of the Elections Code, enclosed please find a copy of the Title and Summary issued for Initiative Number 07-0063, along with the text of the proposed measure.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Initiative Coordinator

For

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.

Attorney General

Enclosures

Proponent(s) public information:

Dianne-Margaret Hedgcock P.O. Box 8413 Redlands, CA 92375

Date: November 21, 2007 Initiative No. 07-0063

The Attorney General of California has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

PROHIBITION ON REQUIRED OR COERCED STERILIZATION OF ANIMALS OR HUMANS. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Prohibits enactment or enforcement of any law requiring or coercing by any means, including financial penalty, sexual sterilization of any human or animal. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: Short-term savings to local governments because of the elimination of spay and neuter enforcement and surgery costs, offset in the long-term by unknown, but potentially significant, increased costs to operate shelters and provide animal control services to an increased dog and cat population. Unknown, but potentially significant loss of local government animal control revenue, because jurisdictions will no longer be able to charge a higher license or adoption fee for unaltered animals than for animals that are spayed or neutered. Potential avoidance of state costs of a few tens of thousands of dollars annually associated with the prohibition of chemical castration of certain prisoners upon their parole. (Initiative 07-0063.)

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INITIATIVE COORDINATOR

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Mrs. Patricia Galvan

Initiative Coordinator

Office of the Attorney General

1300 I Street

Sacramento, CA 95814

In Re: Freedom Against Sterilization Act

Dear Ms. Galvan:



Pursuant to California Elections Code, Section 9002, I respectfully request the Attorney General to prepare a title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the Freedom Against Sterilization Act.

Please find enclosed required by the California Elections Code, Section 18650, check in the amount of TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) for filing fee of above referenced act and the proponent declaration as required by California Elections Code, Section Code 9068.

Please direct any correspondence and questions directly to the address below.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Dianne-Margaret Hedgcock

PO BOX 8413

REDLANDS CALIF 92375

Initiative Measure To Be Submitted Directly To The Voters

The Attorney General of California has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

[Here set forth the title and summary prepared by the Attorney General. This title and summary must also be printed across the top of each page of the Petition whereon signatures are to appear.]

TO THE HONORABLE SECRETARY OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA

We, the undersigned, registered or qualified voters of California, residents of _______ County, hereby propose amendment relating to protection against mandated sterilization, and Petition the Secretary of State to submit the same to voters of California for their adoption or rejection at the next succeeding primary or general election, or at any special statewide election held prior to that primary or general election, or as otherwise provided by law.

The proposed Constitutional Amendment, Freedom Against Sterilization Act:

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION - ARTICLE 1 DECLARATION OF RIGHTS

The State of California, cities, and counties, or any governmental entity within the state shall not enact or enforce any law within the state that would coerce by any means or financial penalty or mandate the sexual sterilization by any means, either, permanent or temporary, of any human or animal. There shall be no law(s) or ordinance language enacted that abridge this mandate enacted by the citizens of the State of California.

This Amendment shall become effective immediately upon its approval by voters.